# **EARNED INCOME TAX CREDIT ("EITC")**

# You may be eligible for the Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC)!

#### What is EITC?

EITC is available to working individuals and families meeting certain eligibility requirements. The average credit amount in Philadelphia is \$2,400. Don't miss out.

Last year, more than 40,000 Philadelphians did not take advantage of this credit, but could have, leaving almost \$100 million on the table.

### To get the EITC, you must:

- File your federal tax return and complete the EITC form
- Meet the eligibility criteria

### Am I eligible?

You are eligible if:

- You (and your spouse, if filing a joint return) have a valid Social Security number (SSN).
- Your 2014 earned income and adjusted gross income are within limits indicated (see chart below).
- Other conditions may apply.

2014 Income Eligibility Based on Filing Status			
# Qualifying Children	Single/Married Filing Separately	Married filing Jointly	Maximum Benefit
None	\$14,590	\$20,020	\$496
1	\$38,511	\$43,941	\$3,305
2	\$43,756	\$49,186	\$5,460
3 or more	\$46,997	\$52,427	\$6,143

## Think you qualified for EITC in 2011, 2012 or 2013?

It's not too late! You can amend your return. You have up to 3 years to amend your previous tax returns. For 2011, the deadline to file an amended return is April 17, 2015.

#### Need Help?

The City of Philadelphia is partnering with organizations to offer <u>free tax preparation</u> by IRS Certified preparers for qualifying families and individuals.

Please visit <a href="www.phila.gov/revenue/EITC">www.phila.gov/revenue/EITC</a> for more information regarding EITC and our free tax preparation services.